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CONCENTRATION PROPOSED

NEW STUDENT GOVERNMENT PLAN GENERALLY APPROVED.

The Forum held in the Barn last Thursday afternoon, the twenty-fifth, was devoted entirely to the new Student Government plan proposed last spring. The explanation of the new constitution now drawn up made it clear that the change is from a "town-meeting" form of government to a representative one, such as our national government uses, and the general opinion of students and faculty seemed to be that the change, though radical, has become necessary and would prove to be beneficial.

In the proposed plan, all legislation is passed, not by the student body, as at present, but by a House of Representatives, consisting of the house presidents, the village seniors, ten seniors, twenty-five juniors, twenty sophomores, and fifteen freshmen. Any student may, through one of its members, bring before the House any point of legislation whatsoever. The House will vote on it, and refer it for approval to the Senate, which has veto power. If twenty-five per cent of all the classes demand it, the student body has the power of referendum.

The Senate is composed of the President of the College, four members of the faculty, the president, vice president, secretary and treasurer of Student Government and a sophomore acting as recording secretary and a freshman, acting as clerk. It combines in itself, the powers of the Student Government Executive Board, the Joint Council, and the committees on Entertainments and on Student Publications, thus lessening the distinction between student and faculty legislation, and uniting various phases of Student Government in one body. The Senate will also centralize our many, semi-independent committees, councils and boards, for the chairman of each committee will be a member of the Senate, and any business to be given to a committee will be brought first to the Senate, and by them, handed over, through its chairman, to that committee. This applies as well to boards composed entirely or partly of faculty as to those made up of students only. The fact that this system will unite and arrange committees is, with the co-operation secured between faculty and students, one of its greatest claims for adoption.

The proposed plan also calls for a Cabinet with advisory powers only, composed of the heads of organizations.

The conditions calling for this change must be evident to every student here. It was agreed that the college has grown so large that Student Government has unavoidably become to the average student something vague and far away, in which she very seldom takes an intelligent interest. Our "inertia" was said to be due, as much as anything else, to our difficulty in all getting together, and to the fact that many girls, especially those in the lower classes, dislike to voice their opinions before a large audience.

The new plan has, as well as advantages, some decided drawbacks. It was pointed out that there is a danger of too great demands being made on the time of the girls who sit in the Senate; that it might be advisable to adopt the system, but wait for a while before giving the Senate all the powers of the present boards; and that it may tend to put the management of affairs into the hands of too small a number of students.

In her summary of the meeting Miss Gamble made the following points:

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PHI BETA KAPPA ANNOUNCEMENTS.

At a meeting held Oct. 24th, the following students were elected to membership:

Marguerite Atterbury,
Ruth P. Aultman,
Helen V. Broe,
Anna Carlin,
Ruth H. Harding,
Anna F. Paton,
Jean C. Snyder,
Sally C. Wood.

The initiation ceremony will be held on the evening of November first at the home of President Pendleton.

All members of the College are invited to be present at the Phi Beta Kappa address, to be given by Mr. Bliss Perry on the evening of November fifth in the Art Building.

Mabel E. Hodder, Sec'y.

SUFFRAGE AND THE WAR.

"The movement for equal suffrage need not be dropped on account of the war," said Mrs. Lewis Johnson of Cambridge at the Suffrage Club meeting on Friday evening, October 26. The English and Canadian women did not neglect this movement in spite of their war-time preoccupation, and now the House of Commons has voted 7 to 1 in favor of enfranchising the English women; and five Canadian provinces have been enfranchised. Even Mexico has granted women the vote since war began. The United States has a fair start, as twenty states have already declared themselves in favor of suffrage for women. With the spread of the democratic spirit over the world, it is to be hoped that the autocracy of sex will be dissolved, especially here, in this oldest of democracies.

After her talk, Mrs. Johnson told of the numerous war activities conducted by the Suffragists—food conservation courses, canning, liberty bread and liberty bond stations, and a suffrage coffee house at Ayer.

At this meeting of the Suffrage Club, Mr. Tucker was elected as Faculty Member, and Emily Case as Sophomore member.

OLIVE NEVIN'S RECITAL.

Olive Nevin, Wellesley '05, entertained, charmed and delighted those who heard her last Monday night. Not only is Miss Nevin blessed with a fine voice, but she seems actually to enjoy herself while she uses it—which, of course, adds to the pleasure of the audience. On Monday night she was also blessed with a remarkably good accompanist, Mrs. Julia Kasanoff of New York City.

Those who were so unfortunate as not to hear Miss Nevin, will have an opportunity to retrieve the past next January, when she will give a recital in Boston.

PROGRAM

I

Deh Vieni (The Marriage of Figaro)	*Mozart*
Se tu m'ami	*M. De Fesche*
Ritornerai fra poco	*Gustav Hasse*

II

Depuis le jour (Louise)	*Gustave Charpentier*

III

Folksong	*Tschaikowsky*
Quel galant (Greek Street Song)	*Maurice Ravel*
L'heure exquise	*M. Poldowski*
Tak for dit Rad	*Edvard Grieg*

IV

A Fair Good Morn	*Ethelbert Nevin*
Before the Day Break	
The Woodpecker	
'Twas April	

$27,350 FOR UNCLE SAM

SALE OF LIBERTY BONDS SURPRISINGLY SUCCESSFUL.

Wellesley has [illegible] and [illegible] khaki.

All last week, from Monday morning until late Saturday afternoon, a representative of the Wellesley National Bank had headquarters in the reception room outside Miss Tufts' office, selling Liberty Bonds. The bulletin boards, the posts at the Elevator Table, the trees about the campus, and even the letters in the [illegible] outside the reception room door bore glaring notices urging everyone to purchase bonds. [illegible] stopped pedestrians between the Library and the Administration Building and inquired anxiously whether they had helped to swell the Loan. Those who had buttons wore them in conspicuous places, and probably felt as patriotic as though they were in uniform. The results exceeded the maximum amount computed by those who were promoting the campaign, for bonds amounting to $27,350 were sold, and it was officially stated that the Bank was greatly pleased with the spirit shown by the students. The class of 1920 invested the $[illegible] which they had collected for the Student Alumnae Building Fund in Liberty Bonds, and the entire college united in showing their patriotism by subscribing as far as they were able to the Loan.

Wellesley may indeed be proud that she was not found wanting in this important test.

COLLEGE WOMEN NEEDED IN BANKING HOUSES.

On Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 24, Miss Eugenia Wallace of the Guaranty Trust Co., New York, spoke on the opportunities for college girls in the Financial World. At present the positions open to women include library, telephone, and clerical work, and filing and mailing, but higher positions will, in Miss Wallace's opinion, soon be available, for the business world values woman's instinct.

Women, Miss Wallace said, often miss bigger opportunities in doing detailed work. They do not realize that they must contribute to business, not merely serve it.

Among the requirements for a business position the speaker stressed personality and personal appearance. Then she said that only girls who do A grade work in College will succeed. What studies a girl takes matters little, for it is the application, accuracy and trained memory resulting from college work, which are wanted. Initiative is very essential. A girl must assume responsibility and give the business world the results it wants. Finally, good humor, if not natural to the individual, should be cultivated. Sensitive and jealous people can never get on.

In closing Miss Wallace gave a few cautions and suggestions.

Be careful about going to New York. There are too many people there now, while small cities need the energetic young business woman.

Be careful about choosing the house in which you work. Make sure of conditions beforehand. Learn to do work within given hours. Don't think about salary at first. Don't be afraid to ask for a rise.

Don't say a thing makes you nervous, and don't be nervous. Women lose valuable time from ill health.

Be willing to accept criticisms.

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A TEST THAT COUNTS.

This week marks the beginning of a new series of courses at Wellesley College—those occasioned by the emergency of the war. To a great many of us who fretted last year at the seeming indifference of our attitude towards this great world crisis, they come in fulfillment of our most earnest desires. They indicate to us, moreover, that the administration of the college is in sympathy with our needs as we feel them now,—that the authorities are not willing that we should merely do a little better than that which we did formerly, but that they too most sincerely wish that each one of us shall fit herself for a task directly connected with some phase of the war. We need but consider the bulletin issued last week. That shows us with what care the faculty has planned these courses, so that we may each find some one particularly to our liking and capabilities. It remains now for those of us who have been so eager to do something, to show that that eagerness was not a superficial hysteria. Those of us who have arranged our schedules to include this new opportunity, must "see it through." We must put our very best effort into the last week's work as well as the first. We must show the world that a college education does lead to practical efficiency in a time of emergency, and that we are not only ready but enthusiastic at the chance to share in the work of "third line of defense."

And these courses do mean work, not mere listening to lectures or whiling away time in a laboratory. If we can but keep in view the fact that positions left vacant by men at the front, in many cases are waiting for us to fill, and to fill as effectively as the experienced man did, we can see that there is no time to be wasted. We must be efficiently prepared to take up some work in the world to-day, or what does a college education count for?

INERTIA.

Much has been heard in the past week of the so-called inertia prevalent in Wellesley in regard to the proposed plan for Student Government, whether the accusation is a fair one is a debatable question. Even though a mass meeting had been held by the War Relief Committee and though Christian Association had recently conducted a forum, the student body had not succumbed to inertia so completely but that the Barn was well filled with those, who at least, had enough interest in the new plan to atttend a forum for its discussion although that meeting was the third of its kind to occur within two weeks. As far as it can be ascertained in an informal way, the student body is unanimously behind this new plan for representative government—and there was much dissatisfaction felt and heard on all sides this fall when it was learned that the new plan, which in June had seemed a certainty was not endorsed.

The plan had been enthusiastically approved by the students, and if it was not to go into effect the opposition must have come from some other source. Whether justly or not, the blame for the failure of this attempt at a less complicated system of government was felt to rest with the faculty. Consequently when it was learned that an opportunity was to be offered for discussion of Student Government it was expected that an explanation for the opposition would be given.

Was there inertia among the students at the Forum because they did not rise two or three at a time to tell why they individually and collectively approved of the new plan? Did they not prove once and for all last May that they wanted a new form of government when it was voted unanimously to adopt the suggested plan and was it not proved again on Thursday afternoon by the fact that though many did speak in behalf of a change in government, but one speaker raised the slightest suggestion of doubt as to the advisability of adopting the proposed change? This one speaker merely believed that there were two possible drawbacks—either of which be it said here and now are equally possible and much more probable under the present complicated system of government than under the new form. Nothing more was said because nothing further could be said until objections were brought forward which might then be refuted. Objections in the main were not forthcoming and the Forum did not succeed in doing what had been hoped for it.

One objection raised at the Student Government Forum is not difficult to answer. It has been felt by some that the new plan would entail the expenditure of too much time by members of the Senate. In a fair consideration of the time spent on the work of other committees and organizations in college it will be seen that the time allotted to the duties of the Senate in so far as it is possible to compute the incomputable, is brief.

In reply to the Free Press entitled "Concerning Reserve Books" in this issue of the NEWS, it might be said that the student who will stand by and watch a girl stack six much needed reserve books around her, is as much to be criticised for timidity and lack of consideration for herself as the girl whom she blames for boldness and lack of respect for others.

This seems an extraordinarily good time to remind everyone of the approaching change in postage rates. After Friday, the second of November, every letter without three cents in stamps on the upper right-hand corner will be returned by the postal clerks to the sender. Unless the national memory is most vigorously jogged, there is going to be a great deal of delay in the transmission of mail; which means annoyance to the senders and recipients of letters and to the postal clerks. Perhaps, if Wellesley clips this warning out of the NEWS, it may establish a record of properly stamped envelopes, and avoid alarming relatives and friends at home by the strange absence of Wellesleian missives in the postman's bag immediately after the second.

FREE PRESS.

All contributions for this column must be signed with the full name of the author. Only articles thus signed will be printed. Initials or numerals will be used in printing the articles if the writer so desires.
The Editors do not hold themselves responsible for opinions and statements which appear in this column.

I.

COMMENCEMENT.

"The time has come, the walrus said—"

The walrus being, in this case, the Senior Class President. For days she has tried in vain to rouse some discussion of the Commencement Events question, when every Senior is only too glad to postpone indefinitely the thought of Commencement and graduation.

But one does hear murmurs of discussion, echoes of debate. "Let us spend no time."—"Let us spend no money."—"Let us have no guests." If this is the consensus of opinion, let us have no Commencement at all: no Tree Day, no Garden Party, no Senior Play, no Society Play. We can invite our families to stay home, and have the Commencement exercises the morning after our last paper is due, thus saving ourselves and others the burden of that week of waiting. But if we vote to act this way, let us refrain from urging our families to visit us during the year, when they "can see college life as it is," and then from boasting in the spring of travelling expenses saved and board bills averted. And let us also refrain from bringing our families here in June just for Commencement itself and then falling under the temptation of small yet expensive parties, or still worse, of repeating the Operetta and of arranging some sort of Garden Party at the last minute.

And let us not be lazy in our decisions. It is very easy to vote not to do this, to give the other, and then to lean back in a smug and self-satisfied way, wearing the placid expression of one who has done her duty. If all the time, money and energy released from one duty by such voting should be transferred immediately and undiminished to useful war relief or Red Cross work, there would be no question as to ultimate worth-whileness of our self sacrifice. But to vote not to do one thing, and then to fold one's hand and do nothing, is futile. It would be far better to give a play or two, and make a little money that way for the Red Cross: a play economically staged, costumed, and lighted, performed on a paying basis, is as justifiable as a Fête Champetre or a Charity Ball.

At any rate, as the President has suggested, it is time to talk about it.

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1918's OPPORTUNITY.

Ever since the United States entered the Great War every one has been thinking about what she as an individual ought to sacrifice for the cause. The time has now come for the Senior Class as an organization to decide what it will give up. The problem centers itself on the festivities of commencement week.

Senior Play stands out to most of us, I believe, as the biggest item to be considered. Every Senior Play that has ever been given represents the expenditure of hundreds of dollars; and this year in view of high prices, would undoubtedly be more expensive than ever. Moreover if the weather is bad, everything is spoiled and the expense is for nothing. In my opinion it should be the first event to be dropped.

Garden Party is more or less dependent on Tree Day. Last year, when it was much simpler than usual Tree Day cost over one thousand dollars. It is distinctly an affair of under graduates and alumnæ. As past and present members of Wellesley College shall we not be true enough to our college ideal to be willing to forego that pleasure for the sake of serving a worthier cause than our own enjoyment? Without Tree Day dancing Garden Party would be bare; but with a little ingenuity and careful planning could it not be made enjoyable, and at the same time more informal and less expensive?

The probability is that we shall have comparatively few Commencement guests this year. Can we not dispense with formal invitations and announcements, and issue our own personal invitations? A great deal of money would be saved which now gives little enjoyment or service to anyone. The custom is to rush guests from one event to another. Let 1918 give her guests an opportunity to enjoy the beauties of Wellesley, and instead of expensive formal entertainments, inexpensive informal pleasures! I am sure our families would appreciate our attitude, and we should be sacrificing things that are big enough to count.

R. M. A., '18

III.

A Plea for [illegible].

The Sophomore class is talking of giving up its class rings to the Liberty Bond campaign. It is a worthy motive, undoubtedly, and the entire college admires the spirit, but the sacrificers seem short sighted. The giving up of temporary pleasures—cakes, candies, parties, promenades, is in line with all Mr. Hoover's pleas, and with the determination to sacrifice unnecessary luxuries to the great war demand. But these rings are the outward visible sign of a college class, with its internal cohesion, its comradeship, its associations. They are, in Wellesley, an institution. The alumnae appreciate them far more than we undergraduates, who have the tangible Wellesley around us. They are a tradition; traditions are not classed as luxuries. It will not suffice to fill up the vacuum with the Wellesley Alumnae seals—they are more properly resigned of the two, being less individual. Ye Sophomores, think upon the future! Have them without pearls; give up your next dance frock; but remember that class rings will recall something by their associations.

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Reference Books.

We are all doubtless tired of hearing about the misuse of library books. The subject has been talked and written well nigh to death. Yet there are some real evils that seem to grow as the weeks go by. The misuse of books on the reserve shelves is fast becoming a serious consideration. At any time of the day one may see a girl rush up to the history reserve shelf, seize two or perhaps half a dozen of the most used reference books, seat herself at a table, and spend from one to three hours pursuing her studies in those books, while many other students hunt about despairingly for some book that is usable. "I never can find what I want," and "There ought to be more copies of these books here," are often heard comments. They would not be necessary if every girl took the one book that she is going to use at the time and not three or four, most of which she will not need.

Exactly the same condition exists in the case of English reference books. Often there are but one or two copies of the books to be used by a whole section. I have seen a girl take six books of poetry, all that were on the shelf at the time, find the poem that she wanted in the second book, and sit studying it, and other subjects for two hours, with all six books piled up about her, while half the class hunted vainly for those very books.

Such a condition should not be allowed to exist. The only way to better it is for each girl who uses the reserve books to make herself responsible for the proper treatment of them. We are not children. We should not need special faculty supervision in our library any more than in our college houses. Student Government is for everyone, everywhere, all the time. Let us observe the needs of others in the library as well as outside of it.

E. P., '21.

APPOINTMENT BUREAU.

A book publishing company in the neighborhood of Boston has been trying for some time to find a Wellesley graduate as chemist for the plant. It is hoped that the class of 1918 may eventually furnish someone for this position.

There are also other positions to be filled under the company. College graduates are needed to go into the factory, working fifty-four hours a week, to learn the business. Then such workers would rise to the position of inspectors with a small group of girls placed under each inspector. The Taylor system is to be installed in this plant and the opportunity is an excellent one for ascertaining how this efficiency plan works. The fact that this plant is engaged in the production of hospital supplies, chief among which is hospital gauze, and that it is working on large Government contracts for the Army and Navy, should be an added inducement to enter upon this work.

Anyone who would like to be considered a candidate for either of the positions described is asked to address Miss Caswell, Secretary of the Appointment Bureau, or to call in office hours.

The United States Civil Service Commission announces an open competitive examination for laboratory assistant for both men and women. Vacancies in the Bureau of Standards, Department of Commerce for duty in Washington, D.C., and elsewhere at salaries ranging from $1000.00 to $1320.00 a year and in positions requiring similar qualifications will be filled from these examinations unless it is found that it is to the interest of the service to fill the positions by reinstatement, transfer or promotion. A higher salary is not impossible if the examination shows unusual qualifications. Examinations will be held in the following optional subjects and competitors must specify in answer to questions on the application form the subject or subjects in which they desire to qualify:

1. Advanced general physics.
2. Electrical engineering.
3. Civil and mechanical engineering.
4. Paper technology.
5. Textile technology.
6. Ceramics.

C[illegible] [illegible] indicated:

[illegible]; Optional subjects, [illegible], General [illegible], experience and [illegible], Total, 100

Applications [illegible] the Commission [illegible] and a [illegible] 58, Administration Building.

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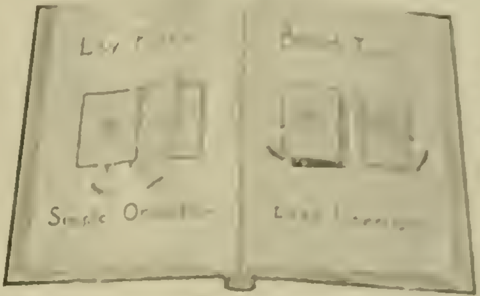

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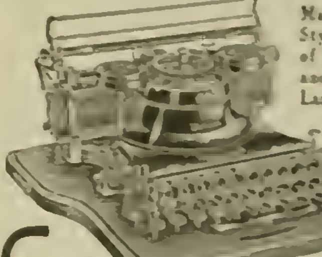

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COLLEGE NOTES.

(This column is confined to personal items concerning students, faculty, and others on our campus or closely associated with the college. Please send notes of interest to the Editor at the News Office, Chapel basement, or drop in the contribution box on the News bulletin before 9.00 A. M. Monday.)

Professor Emily Balch's paper, "The War in its Relation to Democracy and World Order" presented at the last annual meeting of the American Academy of Political and Social Science is printed in the July issue of the Annals of the Academy. The papers of this meeting—devoted to a consideration of America's relation to the world conflict in order to "bring to bear on the vital issues involved the best thought of the country"—include able contributions by such leaders of thought as Franklin H. Giddings, Simon N. Patten, Talcott Williams, Walter Lippmann, Edward Filene, and James M. Beck.

On Friday evening, Oct. 19, Professor Florence Jackson of the Italian Department gave a most delightful informal talk to the students of the Department on "The Houses in Which I Have Lived in Florence." The talk was illustrated with water colors and photographs as well as by reading from Mrs. Browning.

Cazenove Hall, by giving from each dining table the money that would normally go for birthday cakes, has bought a hundred-dollar Liberty Bond.

State Clubs Hold Meetings.

The Maine Club met at Phi Sigma on Friday, October 26, for an informal good time. After the supper the girls knitted and danced.

The Minnesota Club held its meeting at Agora on Friday evening. Supper, dancing, and knitting were in order.

The Ohio Club met on Friday evening, October 26, at T. Z. E. for supper.

The Pacific Coast Club met on Saturday night, October 27, for a Hallowe'en party at Z. A. Bobbing for apples and various other stunts helped to add to the fun of the occasion.

Magazine Tea.

The Wellesley College Magazine cordially invites all those interested in writing for the Magazine to a tea to be held at Shakespeare on Friday afternoon, November 2, at 4.30.

The News Board gave a tea at Tower Court on Monday afternoon, October 29, in honor of its three new members.

Agora and Zeta Alpha spent the week-end at Scituate and Rockport respectively. A. K. X., having given up its shore party, entertained itself and its new members especially with a series of parties at their house on the hill.

Monday afternoon, October 29, an exhibition tea was held in the Art Building for those who were interested in the work done by the students in clay modeling, during the first five weeks of Art 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Fette entertained the members of the senior crew at their home, Saturday evening, October 28.

Deaths.

1918. Olive H. (Locke) Doe of Lexington, Mass., October 21, in Mass. General Hospital.

CORRECTION.

Owing to a mistake in printing the News did not give, in the issue of October 25, the following report of Zeta Alpha's first Program Meeting:

"Ibsen and the Social Drama."—Ruth Wetzel

First Act of Ibsen's "Doll's House"

Nora	Jeanette Jardine
Thorwald Helmer	Eleanor Carroll
Krogstadt	Helen Edwards
Mrs. Linden	Marion Wallace
Maid	Elizabeth Skinner

A discussion of the play and Ibsen's purpose in writing it followed the performance.

THE MOVEMENT FOR CHURCH UNITY.

Mr. Robert Gardner, who has been connected for the last seven years with the endeavor to bring the various churches together, spoke at Tower Court, Sunday afternoon, October 21, on "Church Unity." There are two principles upon which all churches can unite, said Mr. Gardner; first, the need of Christ, and secondly the doctrine of the incarnation. A conference is being planned to which representatives of churches all over the world are invited, and in which may be discussed the various points of agreement and those of disagreement between these churches. It is hoped in this manner to abolish the petty differences and to unite upon the fundamental truths.

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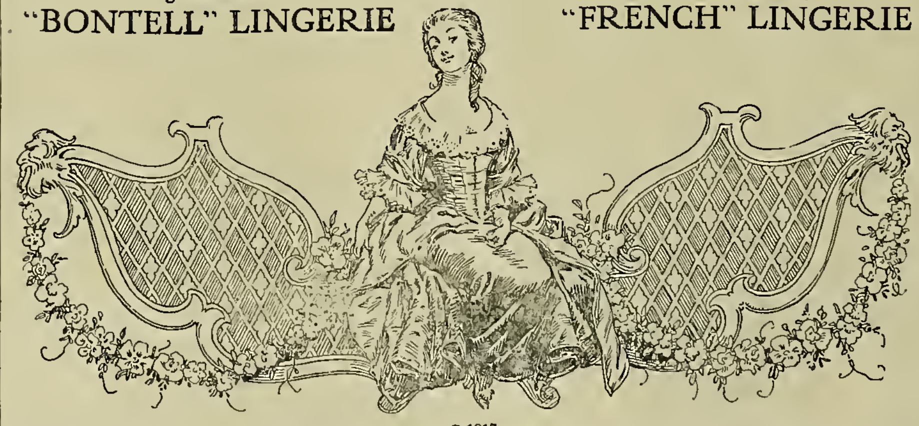

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PARLIAMENT *of* FOOLS

PERHAPS GROUND GRIPPERS ARE BEST.

Once upon a Time there lived in Lynn, Mass., a Brave man, and he was in Love with a Wellesley girl. She lived on the Hill . . . .

When he got his Orders to go to France, he decided to come out and Propose.

He went to the South Station to catch the 3.23. It had been taken off the Schedule.

So he waited for the 4.02. It had been taken off the Schedule.

He took the 4.69.

And it stopped at Trinity Place, and Cottage Farms, and Allston, and West Newton and East Newton and Fig Newton and . . .

The conductor woke him up at Wellesley.

He tried to get a Taxi, but they were all filled with Socks and Mufflers and Knitting Needles—and a few girls.

He saw a girl come out of a Drug Store and heard her say she was going up on the Hill, so he followed her by a Trail of Pop Corn.

And after getting cinders in his shoes, and wetting them in a Marsh, he saw a great Incline rising Before him. He went back 500 yards to get a Running Start, but when half way up, he felt himself coming Down again.

Then he tried Pulling himself up by Trees, but he couldn't make the grade.

So he walked around to the Right, hastening past a Terrible Smell, which savored of Cabbage.

Finally he got to the very Door Bell, but looking in he saw Fire Glistening Solitaires and Pounds of Platinum. He thought of his Salary, and how he had hoped to send Postcards from the other side, and was just Wondering about Proposing when he heard a Cry.

He ran toward it, and found his Beloved lying Dead, her heel in a chasm between the Bricks of the Walk, and her Ankle twisted Eight times. In her hand was a Harmony of the Synoptic Gospels.

He stumbled on, blind with Grief, and presently he woke up and found himself at the bottom of some Stone Steps.

Moral: If you prefer a Little One to none at All, meet him at the Station.

SOLDIERLY ENTERTAINMENT.

Think of yourself after a day of hard work—very far away from library fires, armchairs, and books; from a good show down in the merry theatre part of your town; barred from visits to Schrafft's, with its sundaes and chocolates. Your weariness would be thrice accentuated.

That weariness is what the government wishes to prevent in its training camps, and the means it has taken for prevention are surprisingly numerous. Of course, in a city erected in a few weeks, beauty of surroundings will be almost nil. The thing is to absorb the mind until it overlooks its environment—successful, as witness our ad. building! So first there are Y. M. C. A. libraries and writing rooms, with as many good pictures as the secretaries can beg, borrow, or steal, on the walls. There are co-operative department stores, crude perhaps, but successful, for one of these stores has already been doing a business of a thousand dollars a day. Voluntary athletics have been organized, with coaches for the teams; and baseball games, as always in groups of mankind, college or otherwise, are unifying regiments through the spirit of competition.

The theatre forsooth, forsaken, has packed up and gone to camp also. Actors will appear in circuit, under a good manager, whose trials will be lessened by the erection of a theatre in each large encampment. Last, there is the eversatisfying relaxation found in organized singing and the movies. The War Department, to establish the faculties for these entertainments, has created commissions by the wholesale, and with the Y. M. C. A. has strained every point, in order, that, as the *Outlook* puts it, these camps may not be merely military, but considerably human, too.

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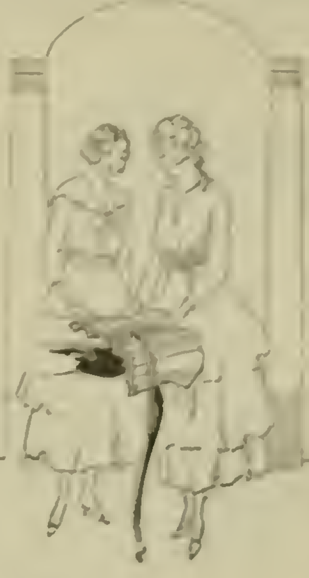

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ENGAGEMENTS.

'15. Gladys Wright ('11-'14) to Lieut. Hammond Palmes, Dartmouth '14, of Lowell, Mass.

'16. Helen Ruth Sampson to Theodore J. Moore, Yale 13.

MARRIAGES.

'10. Fisher-Atwood. On October 20, at Newton Highlands, Mass., Alice Atwood to Ernest Withington Fisher.

'11. Yates-Copeland. On June 26, Florence E. Copeland to John Yates, Princeton '01.

'13. Dyer-Dexter. On June 2, Alice Dexter to Samuel Dyer, University of Maine, '12. Address: 100 Franklin St., Framingham, Mass.

'13. Sayre-Curtis. On October 10, at New York City, Ruth Curtis to Ralph Jennings Sayre. Address: Bridgehampton, N. Y.

'16. Robertson-Davies. On September 29, Helen Davies to Lieut. Neil Vinson Robertson.

BIRTHS.

'99. On September 15, a second daughter, Cynthia Sherman, to Mrs. Clifford S. Kilburn (Betsey B. Thomas).

'04. On August 28, a second son, William Stearns, to Mrs. C. Loyal Walker (Edith Stearns).

'07. On October 26, at Longmeadow, Mass., a second daughter, Anne, to Mrs. Kingman Brewster (Florence Besse).

'14. On August 13, at Omaha, Nebr., a daughter, Margery Mayer, to Mrs. Herbert Arnstein (Jeanette Mayer).

DEATHS.

'79. Susan M. Frye ('75-'78).

'85. Cordelia Brittingham ('80-'83).

'85. In November, 1915, Elizabeth R. Smith.

'89. Abbie L. Baldwin ('84-'86).

'91. On January 15, 1916, Helen M. Greenslade ('87-'88).

'93. Mrs. Cleon C. Owens (Minnie Van Slyke), ('88-'90).

'95. In February, 1915, Eliza P. Simmons ('91-'93, '94-'95).

'96. On November 29, 1916, Mrs. Francis D. Seward (Marion Day, '91-'92).

'98. On October 8, in Redlands, Cal., Milton F. Austin, father of Mary Alice Austin.

'98. Alice B. Damon.

'01. On January 11, 1916, Mary A. Goding ('96-'97).

'02. On October 7, in Brookline, Mass., Mrs. George A. Ross, mother of Kate M. Ross, Sp. ('97-'02).

'04. On September 17, in Brookline, Mass., Mrs. Arthur D. Cook (Bernadine Beech, '00-'02).

FACULTY. On October 11, in Oberlin, O., Mary Katharine Monroe, Instructor and Head of Waban Cottage 1881-'88.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

'14. Beatrice E. Phinney to 50 Union St., Fairhaven, Mass.

'16. Florence D. Chapin to 670 Lincoln Ave., Portsmouth, N. H., care of Mrs. Emma Junkins (for the winter).

'17. Edith Dyatt to 204 Edgecomb Ave., New York City, care of Mrs. K. Neilly (for the winter).

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CORRECTION.

In the issue of October 18, under "Marriages," "Gamwell-North" should read "Gamwell-Worth."

MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS.

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DR. CALKINS AT MORNING SERVICE.

Dr. Raymond Calkins, who spoke at the communion service on October 28, took as his text "We know that for those who love God all things work together for good." After calling attention to the fact that Paul does not express any doubt, but is sure of what he says, he stressed three of the words to interpret the text. The first was the word *we*, which signifies not everybody, but true Christians. Here he warned us not to exchange simple piety, which is necessary to true Christians, for the wisdom of college, but to keep them both. The second word was *together*, for separately experiences may not seem for our good, while taken together they work for the best. The third was the word *good*, which does not mean material, physical, or financial happiness, but the spiritual betterment of the soul. Dr. Calkins pointed out that in the light of the good resulting from the Protestant Reformation, which was accompanied by horrors even less conceivable than those of our own time, we may rest assured that even the events of the present World War are working together for the good of humanity.

CONCENTRATION PROPOSED.
(Continued from page 1, column 1)

ADVANTAGES OF THE NEW SYSTEM.

1. Simplification, especially in regard to the "red tape" of committees.
2. Gre[illegible]
3. Adaptation [illegible]

IN DISADVANTAGE.

1. De[illegible]
2. "Will it [illegible] If so, is it [illegible]?"

G. K. [illegible]

WAR POETS AND THEIR RECORDS

The *Literary Digest* for October [illegible] prints an item [illegible] to those of us who are [illegible] literary records of the war. Whenever we may have the leisure to ex[illegible] poetry, not so well-known in this country, it may be profitable to have in mind the work of the brave poets who have [illegible] of the war.

The article prints short extracts from works of the young poets of Britain and America, and a brief summary of their heroic death. Many of the English and Scotch poets are not as well-known to us as their memorable achievements justify. Alan Seeger, our own poet, Francis Ledwidge, the young Irish peasant, Robert Sterling, Charles Hamilton Sorley, Rupert Brooke and several others of established talent, receive mention here. In the case of all except Rupert Brooke, no reputation for poetic capabilities had preceded them before the outbreak of the war. Almost all of these were young college men, trained in expression from their university courses, but lacking the experience which was necessary to their development as artists. The war supplied this experience, and gave their work the transcendent spiritual quality born of sacrifice.

The article quotes the title of each published volume of poetry, and gives an [illegible] of its contents. It also calls to our attention a collection of French poetry, recently compiled, *The Anthology of French Writers Dead in Their Country's Cause.* The heroic death of these young men, some of them merely undergraduates in the colleges of England and France, adds significance to their work.

It is to be hoped that the information supplied by this article will stimulate us to investigate this vital and beautiful war poetry. Too little is known of the young poets and their monumental works, brief but full of a promise which was tragically cut short, and yet, in a higher sense, fulfilled.

COLLEGE CALENDAR.

Thursday, November 1. 4.30 P. M. Crew Competition.
Friday, November 2. Alternate date for Crew Competition.
7.30 P. M. Debating Club Meeting.
Saturday, November 3, 1.30 P. M. Field Day.
Sunday, November 4. Houghton Memorial Chapel 11 A. M., speaker, Dr. Robert E. Speer.
7 P. M. Vespers. Speaker, Dr. Robert E. Speer.
Monday, November 5. Phi Beta Kappa address at the Art Building by Mr. Bliss Perry. All members of the college are invited to be present.
Tuesday, November 6. 7:45 P. M.—In the Geology Lecture Room, Prof. E. C. Jefferey will lecture under the auspices of the Botany Department.
8 P. M. In Billings Hall, Mr. B. W. Guernsey will speak on *The Duties of Bank Officers*. An informal discussion will follow.
Wednesday, November 7. 7.15 P. M. In Billings Hall, Tingfang Lew, M. A. of Yale will speak on *Confucianism* at the Christian Association meeting.
Thursday, November 8. 4.30 P. M. Athletic Association Business Meeting.

Christian Association meetings for the next three weeks will be held at 7:15 P. M. in Billings Hall and will be as follows:
Wednesday, November 14. *Mormonism*. Leader, Miriam L. Woodberry.
Wednesday, November 21, *Islam*. Leader, Dr. John Kingsley Birge.

A COMING LECTURE.

The Honorable Payson Smith, State Commissioner of Education for Massachusetts, will speak in Billings Hall on Friday, November 23rd, at eight o'clock. His subject will be "The Element of the Individual." The talk is not a technical one, and will, therefore, be addressed chiefly to those who teach or expect to be engaged directly in teaching service. All members of the faculty are cordially invited.

DR. McGIFFERT SPEAKS ON LUTHER.

Dr. Arthur Cushman McGiffert of the Union Theological Seminary spoke in the chapel on Tuesday evening, October 23, on "The Unfinished Reformation." Dr. McGiffert has studied in Germany, France and Italy and is an authority on the history of the church. In his lecture he gave a short account of Luther's life and then a discussion of what he did for the world and also what he failed to accomplish. Luther's four great achievements were: First, the breaking of the control of the Catholic Church in Western Europe; secondly, a new interpretation of Christian life; thirdly, a new estimate of human calling, and, lastly, a higher evolution of the present world. But Luther did not perfect the idea of personal liberty, and the most important deed he left undone was to give to the modern world a substitute for the motive of personal salvation. Without this motive the Christian lacks an incentive to live a truly Christian life.

THE LUTHER EXHIBITION.

In celebration of the four hundredth anniversary of the posting of Luther's theses, a remarkable collection of the ancient books owned by the College was gathered in the Library treasure room as the Luther exhibition. An illuminated Bible of 1479, early copies of the works of Luther, a Latin Bible whose fly-leaves are covered with the autograph notes of Melancthon, all these and others just as rare were shown for the free handling and examining of the public. The portraits and even the illustrations in these books were done by such artists as Titian and Holbein, and the number and remarkable quality of the wood-cuts gave a very good understanding of the nature of the books even without translating the German and Latin titles.

M. W., '19.

MUSICAL VESPERS.

"I would fain see all the arts, and music in particular, used in the service of Him who hath both given and created them."

—*Martin Luther.*

The college celebration of the four hundredth anniversary of the Reformation closed with the Vesper service of Oct. 28. Professor Kendrick spoke briefly of Martin Luther and his struggle for religious freedom, bringing to mind Dr. Calkins' thought at the morning service that all things work for good whether we can see it at the time or not.

A musical program followed that was suggestive of the great man and his period.

Service Prelude
Processional: (240) "Oh, where is He that trod the sea" *Teschner*
Invocation
Hymn: (636) "A mighty fortress is our God"
Service Anthem: "Who is like unto Thee, O Lord?" *Sullivan*
Psalm: (46) *Gloria Patri*
Scripture Lesson
Prayer
Organ: Sixth Organ Sonata *Mendelssohn*
(Theme from a Choral-melody by Martin Luther)
I. *Choral with four variations*
II. *Andante*
Choir: Evening Hymn *Old Latin Melody*

(Words by Martin Luther)

Thou who art Three in Unity,
True God from all eternity,
The sun is fading from our sight,
Shine now on us with heavenly light.

We praise thee with the dawning day,
To thee at evening also pray,
With our poor song we worship thee
Now, ever and eternally.

Let God the Father be adored,
And God the Son, the only Lord,
And equal adoration be,
Eternal Comforter, to thee.

Prayers (*with choral responses*)
Recessional: (168) "Great God, how infinite art Thou" *Scotch Psalter*

EXCHANGES.

BARNARD.

Barnard College, is a student council meeting held on October 17, moved, seconded, and passed a motion that there be no knitting in the university libraries.

SMITH.

The Junior class has voted to have its Promenade.

RADCLIFFE

The choral society, assisted by the Harvard Glee Club, is to give the Gilbert and Sullivan opera "Iolanthe" in Agassiz House theatre on December 7 and 8.

HELP STUDENTS' AID.

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DR. GRENFELL IN LABRADOR.

Dr. Wilfred Grenfell, one of England's best known medical missionaries, described his work in Labrador at C. A. on October 24. His realistic stereopticon views showed vividly both the beauties and dangers of the country and the life there. Dr. Grenfell has carried out his ideal of practical Christianity by founding and continually working for homes and clubs for the fishermen, hospitals, co-operative stores and a home and school for children. His lecture was very interesting, for he has experienced many of the dangers and privations of the men among whom he works.

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